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# Terrorism: international connections?

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**T**ODAY, as Kathy Boudin sits in a jail cell in Rockland County, she may finally have achieved her fondest ambition: the opportunity to confront the system she hates so much.

But when she does finally face that system—a judicial process which is part of what she labels the “imperialist state”—she will be in shackles, dressed in dowdy light blue prison denims and facing a charge of murder. She will be on the inside looking out, not an outside agitator trying to foment unrest within the system.

“Revolutionaries are created in struggle and not through protest or persuasion,” she wrote in the early days, just before she went underground in 1969 to mastermind a nationwide terrorist campaign to overthrow “the system.”

And by all accounts she still maintains a tenacious hold on those early beliefs, although she wasn't above using the system when it suited her purposes. Why else would she have applied for and received for herself and her 18-month-old son \$177.75 every two weeks in city public assistance since March 1980? Isn't going on welfare taking advantage of the system?

**K**ATHY BOUDIN'S 12-year underground odyssey—which took her to Canada, Cuba, Moscow and even Manhattan for a 1974 clandestine meeting with Patty Hearst and members of the Symbionese Liberation Army—raises a lot of questions. There are questions about how Boudin spent those unaccounted-for years, where and with whom.

And there are questions about the terrorist organization itself. Was the Weather Underground linked to such other terrorist groups as the Black Liberation Army, the Black Panthers, the FALN and the Symbionese Liberation Army, as law enforcement intelligence sources have suggested?

Do they want to “destroy the system”? If so, what would be the criteria for success?

But probably the most important question for law enforcement officials is whether there is a Cuba connection, which in accepted intelligence parlance means a Moscow connection—a Communist connection. Have Kathy Boudin and other members of her new terrorist group, the May 19 Coalition, received money and support from the KGB or the Cuban intelligence arm, the DGI (which is run by the KGB)?

Neil Herman, a spokesman for the FBI office here, which is heavily involved in the Boudin case, issued a terse “no comment” when VIEW asked

broadcast by the Canadian Broadcasting Corp., the BBC and Swedish television but so far screened only privately in the United States.

Of particular interest in the documentary is an interview with former Weather Underground member Larry Grathwohl. His comments indicate that the Cuban government knows at all times where every Weather Underground member (read American revolutionary) is hiding out. He says that any time members became cut off from others in hiding they merely telephoned the Cuban embassy in either Canada or Mexico and identified themselves by a special code name.

An intelligence officer with the embassy then would arrange to put them in touch with the members of the Weather Underground they were seeking, who were also identified by code names.

This involvement of Russian and Cuban spies in the Weather Underground has even darker implications in light of evidence last week linking Boudin and the Weather Underground men to convicted cop-killer Joanne Chesimard, known as the “soul” of the

## Russian and Cuban spies may be trying to create unrest and revolution here

him on Friday if the bureau had any evidence to suggest foreign involvement in the activities of the terrorist group. He admitted, though, that in the past “those avenues were explored.”

**H**OWEVER, Washington FBI sources told the Daily News that Cuban intelligence agents, posing as United Nations diplomats here, have maintained regular contact with Weather Underground members. The members have gone to Cuba for training, and have checked in regularly with the DGI. In fact, a few years ago one cell of Weather Underground members was criticized by DGI for talking too much and not taking bold enough action.

Black Liberation Army, as well as a string of bank robberies, bombings, cop-shootings and other sensational crimes.

Specifically, members of the Joint Task Force on Terrorism were reported to either have established links, or to suspect links, between the May 19 coalition and the following:

- The bloody \$200,000 Brink's armored-car ambush last June 2 in the Bronx, in which one guard was killed and another wounded by three gunmen.

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